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**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:16-cv-02298-RBW**

MADHIRAJU et al v. DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Assigned to: Judge Reggie B. Walton  
Demand: \$2,000,000  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/17/2016  
Date Terminated: 09/07/2019  
Jury Demand: Plaintiff  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/17/2016	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF STATE with Jury Demand ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-4747794) filed by MATTHEW BRUNWASSER, PRAVEEN GOVINDARAJU MADHIRAJU. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons Summons to State Dept, # <u>2</u> Summons Summons to AG's Office, # <u>3</u> Summons Summons to USADC, # <u>4</u> Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>5</u> Exhibit Exhibit A, # <u>6</u> Exhibit Exhibit B, # <u>7</u> Exhibit Exhibit C, # <u>8</u> Exhibit Exhibit D, # <u>9</u> Exhibit Exhibit E)(Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 11/17/2016)
11/18/2016	<u>2</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Praveen G. Madhiraju on behalf of PRAVEEN MADHIRAJU (Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 11/18/2016)
11/18/2016	<u>3</u>	NOTICE OF AMENDED SUMMONS by MATTHEW BRUNWASSER, PRAVEEN MADHIRAJU (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons FOIA Summons State, # <u>2</u> Summons FOIA Summons USADC, # <u>3</u> Summons FOIA Summons AG)(Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 11/18/2016)
11/21/2016		Case Assigned to Judge Reggie B. Walton. (sb) (Entered: 11/21/2016)
11/21/2016	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Consent Form)(sb) (Entered: 11/21/2016)
11/30/2016	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 11/30/2016; ATTORNEY GENERAL OF UNITED STATES served on 11/30/2016; U.S. ATTORNEY DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA served on 11/30/2016, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 11/30/2016., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 11/30/2016. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/30/2016.) (Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 11/30/2016)
12/01/2016		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>5</u> Summons Returned Executed as to Federal Defendant; emailed to bytyqibrothers@gmail.com, cc'd 0 associated attorneys — The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. No proof of delivery provided; File a signed Errata with certified mail receipts or online USPS proof of delivery attached. (znmw, ) (Entered: 12/01/2016)
12/01/2016	<u>6</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 11/30/2016., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 11/30/2016. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/30/2016.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons State Dept Summons, # <u>2</u>

		Summons US Attorney DC Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons US Attorney General Summons)(Madhiraju, Praveen) Modified on 12/2/2016 (znmw). (Entered: 12/01/2016)
12/02/2016		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>6</u> Summons Returned Executed as to U.S. Attorney General; emailed to bytyqbrothers@gmail.com, cc'd 0 associated attorneys — The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Please refile document, 2. No proof of delivery provided, only proof of mailing; Returns of service must include certified mail return receipts or online USPS proof of delivery. (znmw, ) (Entered: 12/02/2016)
12/02/2016	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 11/30/2016. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/30/2016.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 11/30/2016., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate of Service Attorney General, # <u>2</u> Certificate of Service US Attorney, # <u>3</u> Certificate of Service State Department, # <u>4</u> Certificate of Service USPS Online Confirmation)(Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 12/02/2016)
12/06/2016	<u>8</u>	GENERAL ORDER FOR CIVIL CASES BEFORE THE HONORABLE REGGIE B. WALTON. See attachment for details. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 12/6/2016. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 12/06/2016)
12/29/2016	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Kelly, Wynne) (Entered: 12/29/2016)
12/29/2016		MINUTE ORDER. To ensure the expeditious resolution of this action, and because this qualifies as an exempted case under Local Civil Rule 16.3(b), it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a joint proposed briefing schedule governing the filing of dispositive motions on or before January 19, 2017. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on 12/29/2016. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 12/29/2016)
01/04/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Briefing Schedule due by 1/19/2017. (hs) (Entered: 01/04/2017)
01/06/2017	<u>10</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. STATE DEPARTMENT served on 1/6/2017 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons Summons to Office of Legal Advisor, State Dept.)(Madhiraju, Praveen) (Entered: 01/06/2017)
01/19/2017	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF STATE, STATE DEPARTMENT. (Kelly, Wynne) (Entered: 01/19/2017)
05/03/2017	<u>12</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Alexander Daniel Shoaibi on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Wynne Patrick Kelly (Shoaibi, Alexander) (Entered: 05/03/2017)
07/31/2018	<u>13</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Melanie Dyani Hendry on behalf of DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney AUSA Alexander Shoaibi (Hendry, Melanie) (Entered: 07/31/2018)
05/08/2019	<u>14</u>	ORDER. In accordance with the attached Order, it is hereby ORDERED that, on or before May 29, 2019, the plaintiffs shall SHOW CAUSE why this case should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. It is further ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall e-mail this Order to the plaintiffs' counsel's e-mail address on record forthwith. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on May 8, 2019. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 05/08/2019)
05/09/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Response to Show Cause Order due by 5/29/2019. (hs) (Entered: 05/09/2019)
08/07/2019	<u>15</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by John Moustakas on behalf of DEPARTMENT OF STATE, STATE DEPARTMENT Substituting for attorney Melanie Hendry (Moustakas, John) (Entered: 08/07/2019)
09/07/2019	<u>16</u>	ORDER. In accordance with the attached Order, it is hereby ORDERED that this case is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for failure to prosecute. It is further ORDERED that this case is CLOSED. Signed by Judge Reggie B. Walton on September 7, 2019. (lcrbw3) (Entered: 09/07/2019)